

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

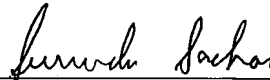
By the present preliminary amendment the specification is amended to correct minor informalities and a new Abstract believed to be in more proper format under United States practice is submitted herein.

Further, Claims 1-26 are canceled without prejudice and new Claims 27-52 are presented for examination. The amendments to the specification, Abstract, and submission of the new claims are believed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, including the original claims, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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